

GORHAM-MIDDLESEX CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

August 11, 2025
 HS Library

Board Members Present: Sheila Brown, Cindy Hall, Ashley Conley, Phyllis Frantel, Keri Link, John Foust, Tessah Ciardi, Scott Lambert and Jessica Wickham

Student Ex-Officio Board Members Present: Lilly Burnett and Ella Yerkes

Administrators Present: Christopher Brown, Christopher Wickham, Sharene Benedict, Karissa Schutt, Erica Hasselstrom, Bryan Lamb and Scott Robinson

Administrators Excused: Paul Lahue, John Hicks, Staci Thibodeau, Courtney Vencel, Kayla Osika, Jenn Taft, Clay Cole, Eric Pasho, Kevin Cousin and Bryan Lamb

Sheila Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Motion by Keri Link, seconded by Cindy Hall to approve the following resolution.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Yes 9 No 0 MC

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Minutes of July 14, 2025 Re-Organizational and Regular Board of Education Meeting were accepted as submitted.

ACCEPTANCE OF TREASURER'S REPORT

No treasurer's report due to audit.

ADMINISTRATORS' REPORT

Dr. Brown gave an overview *on the Student Code of Conduct and Extracurricular Code of Conduct.*

There was a roundtable discussion about Internet Enabled Device ban policy such as students going to WFL BOCES Tech and Career Center, where phones are being stored, how students will get their phones, how is the policy being shared out to staff, students and community?

Mrs. Hasselstrom and Mr. Wickham presented to the board Title I and IDEA. Mrs. Hasselstrom presented to the board about Professional Development offerings over the summer.

Dr. Brown shared with the Board about the capital project, reviewed mandated reporter and how the district is getting ready for school and all staff conference day on August 27.

Motion by Keri Link, seconded by Tessah Ciardi to approve the following resolutions.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following appointments are pending clearance of NYS fingerprinting requirements:

Substitute Teachers: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint **Jazmyne Mitchell, Brennan Dailey, Cassandra Miskell and Matthew Montgomery** as Substitute Teachers for the 2025-26 school year.

Substitute Teacher Aides: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint

Jazmyne Mitchel, Matthew Montgomery, Madeline James and Cassandra Miskell as Substitute Teacher Aides for the 2025-26 school year.

Substitute Teaching Assistants: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint **Jazmyne Mitchell, Matthew Montgomery and Cassandra Miskell** as Substitute Teaching Assistants for the 2025-26 school year.

Appoint Teacher Aide -Emilie Jewell: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Emilie Jewell** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Teacher Aide, at the rate per MW Teacher Aides, Teaching Assistants and Clerical Employees Association Agreement, effective August 27, 2025 with a probationary period August 27, 2025 to August 27, 2026.

Appoint Teacher Aide-Jossie Decker: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Jossie Decker** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Teacher Aide, at the rate per MW Teacher Aides, Teaching Assistants and Clerical Employees Association Agreement, effective August 27, 2025 with a probationary period August 27, 2025 to August 27, 2026.

Appoint Teacher Aide-Amanda Keating: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Amanda Keating** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Teacher Aide, contingent upon meeting the residence requirement by September 20, 2025, at the rate per MW Teacher Aides, Teaching Assistants and Clerical Employees Association Agreement, effective August 27, 2025 with a probationary period August 27, 2025 to August 27, 2026.

Appoint Teacher Aide-Amelia Rasmussen: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Amelia Rasmussen** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Teacher Aide, at the rate per MW Teacher Aides, Teaching Assistants and Clerical Employees Association Agreement, effective August 27, 2025 with a probationary period August 27, 2025 to August 27, 2026.

Appoint Teacher Aide-Christy Gebo: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Christy Gebo** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Teacher Aide, at the rate per MW Teacher Aides, Teaching Assistants and Clerical Employees Association Agreement, effective August 27, 2025 with a probationary period August 27, 2025 to August 27, 2026.

Appoint Teacher Aide-Sharon Andrews: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Sharon Andrews** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Teacher Aide, at the rate per MW Teacher Aides, Teaching Assistants and Clerical Employees Association Agreement, effective August 27, 2025 with a probationary period August 27, 2025 to August 27, 2026.

Appoint Teacher Aide-Jada Lackey: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Jada Lackey** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Teacher Aide, at the rate per MW Teacher Aides, Teaching Assistants and Clerical Employees Association Agreement, effective August 27, 2025 with a probationary period August 27, 2025 to August 27, 2026.

Appoint Food Service Helper-Elizabeth Eldridge: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Elizabeth Eldridge** a probationary Civil Service appointment as a Food

Service Helper, at an hourly rate per contract, effective August 27, 2025 with a probationary period from August 27, 2025 to August 27, 2026.

Appoint Bus Driver-Taylor Meade: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Taylor Meade** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Bus Driver, at the rate per MW Bus Drivers' Association Agreement, effective July 22, 2025 with a probationary period July 22, 2025 to July 22, 2026.

Appoint Bus Driver-Jenna McGregor: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Jenna McGregor** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Bus Driver, at the rate per MW Bus Drivers' Association Agreement, effective July 31, 2025 with a probationary period July 31, 2025 to July 31, 2026.

Appoint Bus Driver-Michael Shriver: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Michael Shriver** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Bus Driver, at the rate per MW Bus Drivers' Association Agreement, effective August 6, 2025 with a probationary period August 6, 2025 to August 6, 2026.

Create Bus Monitor Positions: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby create three bus monitor positions effective August 27, 2025.

Appoint Bus Monitor-Emma Braga: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Emma Braga** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Bus Monitor, at the rate per MW Bus Drivers' Association Agreement, effective July 31, 2025 with a probationary period July 31, 2025 to July 31, 2026.

Appoint Bus Monitor-Becky Treese: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Becky Treese** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Bus Monitor, at the rate per MW Bus Drivers' Association Agreement, effective July 31, 2025 with a probationary period July 31, 2025 to July 31, 2026.

Appoint Bus Monitor-Kimberly Hey: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Kimberly Hey** a full time permanent Civil Service appointment as Bus Monitor, at the rate per MW Bus Drivers' Association Agreement, effective July 31, 2025 with a probationary period July 31, 2025 to July 31, 2026.

Resignation-Ashley Scarborough: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation of Ashley Scarborough, Custodian effective August 4, 2025.

Resignation-Damian Grzeskowiak: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Damian Grzeskowiak, English Teacher effective August 11, 2025.

Resignation-Carrie Christensen: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation of Carrie Christensen, Bus Driver effective August 5, 2025.

Appoint McKinney Vento-Summer Case Manager and Counselor-Joelle Davis: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint **Joelle Davis**, as McKinney Vento

Summer Case Manager and Counselor for the 2025 Summer Program up to 40 hours per grant specifications.

Yearly Building Per Diem Substitute: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint the following Yearly Building Per Diem Substitutes for the 2025-26 school year:

Emma Hausauer	Middlesex Valley Elementary
Felicia Cotroneo	Gorham Elementary
Matthew Bond	Middle School/High School
John Carey	Middle School/High School

Department Chairpersons: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the following people as department chairpersons for the 2025-26 school year:

Department Chairperson	Name	Stipend
Dept. Chairperson for Arts in Education (3-5)	Corrine DeRue	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Arts in Education (Pre-K-2)	Stephanie Bode	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Counselors (6-12)	Kyle Cunningham	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Counselors (Pre-K-5)	Kerri Mitchell-DePorter	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for English Language Arts (6-12)	James Santonastaso	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Fine Arts (K-12)	Katie Stamm	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Foreign Language (6-12)	Caitlin Foley	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Library/Media Specialist	Christine Porschet	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Math (6-12)	Amanda Cooney	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Music (K-12)	Corrine DeRue	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Nurse	Rachael Johnson	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Occupations/Technology (6-12)	Kathleen Alvord	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Reading UPK-8	Shawna Crouse	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Science (6-12)	Patrick Prusinowski	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Social Studies (6-12)	Jody McLaughlin	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Special Education 6-12	Wendy Wartors	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Special Education-Gorham	Patricia Smith	\$1,831
Dept. Chairperson for Special Education-Valley	Marcy Adams	\$1,831
Dept. of Chairperson for Physical Education (K-12)	Todd Cunningham	\$1,831
Team Leader (1st Grade)	Joanne Emerson	\$1,831
Team Leader (2nd Grade)	Kelley Bradshaw	\$1,831
Team Leader (3rd Grade)	Jennifer Lengyel	\$1,831
Team Leader (4th Grade)	Bailey Linehan	\$1,831
Team Leader (5th Grade)	Molly Bero	\$1,831
Team Leader (6th Grade)	Kellie Fritz	\$1,831
Team Leader (7th Grade)	Matt Palmer	\$1,831
Team Leader (8th Grade)	Keith Walters	\$1,831
Team Leader ECO	Malcolm MacKenzie	\$4301
Team Leader Kindergarten	Kristie Nielsen	\$1,831

Team Leader UPK	Rachel Flower	\$1,831
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Activity Advisors: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the following people as activity advisors for the 2025-26 school year:

Activity	Name	Base	Longevity	Stipend
Art Club-HS	Johanna Eschler	\$662.74	\$150.00	\$812.74
Art Club-MS	Katie Stamm	\$662.74	\$350.00	\$1,012.74
Auditorium Manager	TBD			
Chess Club	Chris Sohn	\$591.99	\$150.00	\$741.99
Clay Target	Amy Harter	\$455.72	\$100.00	\$555.72
Clay Target	Carl Ekdahl	\$455.72	\$100.00	\$555.72
Entrepreneur Club	Kathleen Alvord	\$1,693.10	\$900.00	\$2,593.10
Envirothon	Jon Pragle	\$591.99	\$50	641.99
Elementary Musical Director	Corrine DeRue	\$325.52	\$50.00	\$375.52
Fall Play Director	TBD			
FFA	Mary Coolbaugh	\$3,124.97	\$350.00	\$3,474.97
Freshman Advisor	Erin Ormsby	\$473.59	\$0.00	\$473.59
Freshman Advisor	James Santonastaso	\$473.59	\$0.00	\$473.59
Future Educators	Jessica Frank	\$947.19	\$50.00	\$997.19
Honor Society	James Santonastaso	\$1,775.98	\$400.00	\$2,175.98
Honor Society	Mike Gorton	\$1,775.98	\$50.00	\$1,825.98
Horticulture Club	Mary Coolbaugh	\$828.79	\$350.00	\$1,178.79
HS Vocal/Instrumental Director	Jessica Rhodes	\$2,604.14	\$50.00	\$2,654.14
Intramurals	Jeff Anthony	\$13.02 per hour	\$950.00	TBD
Intramurals	Ruth Walters	\$13.02 per hour	\$450.00	TBD
Jazz Ensemble - HS	Elizabeth Prusinowski	\$2,604.14	\$250.00	\$2,854.14
Jazz Ensemble 6th	Jeffrey Waite	\$426.05	\$50.00	\$476.05
Jazz Ensemble 7th and 8th	Jeffrey Waite	\$710.08	\$50.00	\$760.08
Junior Advisor	Bryce Daskiewich	\$887.99	\$50.00	\$937.99
Junior Advisor	Tonya Fox	\$887.99	\$0.00	\$887.99
Junior FFA	Kristin Hanggi	\$2,604.14	\$50.00	\$2,654.14
Masterminds	Justice Newell	\$591.99	\$50.00	\$641.99
MS Drama Club Advisor & Director of Fall Performance	Jennifer Mitchell	\$2,604.14	\$300.00	\$2,904.14
MS Spring Musical	Jennifer Mitchell	\$1,953.11	\$250.00	\$2,203.11
MS Student Council	Shauna Turco	\$1,183.99	\$0.00	\$1,183.99
MS Student Council	Joelle Davis	\$1,183.99	\$0.00	\$1,183.99
MS Vocal and Instrumental Director	Jessica Rhodes	\$781.24	\$0.00	\$781.24
MS Vocal and Instrumental Director	Polly Simmons	\$781.24	\$0.00	\$781.24
Musical Director	TBD			
Prism Club	Bryce Daskiewich	\$325.52	\$0.00	\$325.52
Prism Club	Jacqueline Wickham	\$325.52	\$0.00	\$325.52
Senior Advisor	Wendy Ryder	\$1,183.99	\$500.00	\$1,683.99

Senior Advisor	Amy Harter	\$1,183.99	\$350.00	\$1,533.99
Ski Club HS	Jessica Frank	\$520.83	\$850.00	\$1,370.83
Ski Club MS	Kathleen Alvord	\$520.83	\$300.00	\$820.83
Ski Club Elementary	Kyle Morsheimer	\$520.83	\$100.00	\$620.83
Sophomore Advisor	Jacqueline Wickham	\$651.19	\$50.00	\$701.19
Sophomore Advisor	Kristiana Wetterings-Potter	\$651.19	\$0.00	\$651.19
Strength Coach	Mike Gorton	\$3124.97	\$0.00	\$3124.97
Student Council-HS	Caitlin Foley	\$1,183.99	\$100.00	\$1,283.99
Student Council-HS	Madison Kosuda	\$1,183.99	\$150.00	\$1,333.99
Supervisory of 3 - 5PM Structured Secondary Student Period	James Santonastaso	\$43 per hour	\$0.00	TBD
Supervisory of 3 - 5PM Structured Secondary Student Period	Jessica Frank	\$43 per hour	\$50.00	TBD
Supervisory of 3 - 5PM Structured Secondary Student Period	Tom Barden	\$43 per hour	\$50.00	TBD
Supervisor of 3-5PM Structured Secondary Student Period	Wendy Ryder	\$43 per hour	\$50.00	TBD
Supervisor of 3-5PM Structured Secondary Student Period	Lisa Carey	\$43 per hour	\$50.00	TBD
Wellness Coordinator	Lindsay Macumber	\$1,092.03	\$50.00	\$1,142.03
Wellness Coordinator	Wendy Ryder	\$1,092.03	\$250.00	\$1,342.03
Yearbook Club-HS	Erin Ormsby	\$1,893.31	\$0.00	\$1,893.31
Yearbook Club-HS	Johanna Minehan	\$1,893.31	\$150.00	\$2,043.31
Yearbook Club-MS	Katie Stamm	\$901.57	\$100.00	\$1,001.57

Mentors: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint the following mentors for the 2025-26 school year:

Mentor	Mentee	Year	Stipend
Bryan Law	Joe Urlacher	1	\$600
Craig Morely	Chase Boggs	1	\$600
Mary Coolbaugh	Brennan Dailey	1	\$600
Jennifer Twomey	Alyssa Veloski	1	\$600
Andrea Robertson	Bryce Daskiewich	2	\$300
Caitlen Foley	Tonya Fox	2	\$300
Wendy Warters	Haley Goodwin	2	\$300
David Helling	Ian VanderLinden	2	\$300
Marcy Adams	Griffin Herron	2	\$300
Kerri DePorter	Maureen Cunningham	2	\$300
Jennifer Twomey	Cassidy Stell	2	\$300
Elizabeth Prusinowski	Jeffrey Waite	2	\$300
Corrine DeRue	Jessica Rhodes	2	\$300
Rachel Flower	Madison Dillon	2	\$300
Delana Hey	James DeMott	2	\$300

Technology Coach Appointments: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint the following as Technology Coaches for the 2025-26 school year:

Emily Joslyn	Kaysie Gormel
Brittany Phillips	Delana Hey
Bailey Linehan	Caitlin Foley
Jon Pragle	Sam Wolf
Chris Sohn	

Field Trip: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby acknowledge the final proposal of FFA attending National Convention Indianapolis, IN October 26, 2025 to November 1, 2025.

Amend Probationary Appointment School Counselor-Brianna DeCann: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District, pursuant to section 3102 of the Education Law and in compliance with part 30-1.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, does hereby amend appointment of **Brianna DeCann**, who holds a Permanent School Counselor Certificate to a Counselor position in the tenure area of School Counselor, for a four year probationary appointment commencing September 1, 2021 and ending on October 27, 2025, contingent on the teacher receiving a rating of Effective or Highly Effective on three of the four years preceding the tenure recommendation; salary starting at Step 5 of the current MWTA contract.

Accept Separation Agreement-Damian Grzeskowiak: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept separation agreement.

Approve Stipend-Erica Hasselstrom: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve Erica Hasselstrom, to receive a stipend of \$7,500 to administrate and oversee ARP Federal Grant for the 2025-26 school year.

Amend Authorizations & Designations: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby gives the following authorizations for the 2025-2026 school year:
Designate the **JP Morgan Chase Bank, the Five Star Bank, the Canandaigua National Bank and Trust Company, Key Bank, Community Bank, NA, Lyons National Bank and NY Class** as the official banks for deposit, investment or borrowing of funds. Deposits in an individual bank shall not exceed \$25 million.

Approve Ontario County Shared Services Panel-Dr. Christopher Brown: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve Dr. Christopher Brown to serve on the Ontario County Shared Services Panel for the 2025-26 school year.

Accept Organizational Chart: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the **Organizational Chart**.

Approve Tax Warrant: Be it resolved that whereas the approved tax levy at \$17,882,745 has been aligned against the current assessments and the tax rates are available, the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does approve the tax warrant as submitted.

Approve Changes to Student Code of Conduct: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the changes to the **Student Code of Conduct**.

Approve Changes to Athletic Code of Conduct: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the changes to the **Athletic Code of Conduct**.

Accept Fuel Sharing Inter-Municipal Agreement Between Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES and Gorham-Middlesex CSD: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the Fuel Sharing Inter-Municipal Agreement between Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES and Gorham-Middlesex Central School District for the 2025-26 school year.

Accept Vehicle Maintenance Services Inter-Municipal Agreement Between Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES and Gorham-Middlesex CSD: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the Vehicle Maintenance Services Inter-Municipal Agreement between Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES and Gorham-Middlesex Central School District for the 2025-26 school year.

CSE & CPSE Recommendations: Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the CSE/CPSE recommendations as submitted and filed in the minute file.
Yes 9 No 0 MC

PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE BOARD

Mabel Deal, Stanley: Mrs. Deal wished everyone a wonderful rest of the summer and Thank you for all work you're doing getting ready for the upcoming school year.

BOARD MEMBERS ITEMS:

Important Dates:

- New Teacher Luncheon Monday, 8/18 at Noon Hotel Canandaigua
- All Staff Conference Day Wednesday, August 27 at 7:30am
- NYSSBA Annual Convention/Education Expo
Sunday, Oct. 23-25 NY Hilton Midtown
- Current Board Committees:
Buildings/Grounds (Keri, Cindy and John)
Policy (Ashley and Jessica)
Safety (Scott and Tessah)
Audit (Sheila, Keri -Chairperson and Phyllis)
- Request for field naming
Sheila read the following statement from the Board

"On behalf of the Marcus Whitman Board of Education, I want to express our sincere appreciation to the community group that submitted the application to rename Wildcat Field in honor of Don Ennis. We also want to thank the committee that dedicated time and thought to reviewing the request.

After very careful consideration, the Board has decided not to move forward at this time with renaming Wildcat Field to Don Ennis Wildcat Field.

To be absolutely clear, this decision in no way reflects negatively on Don Ennis, his legacy, or the many meaningful contributions he made to our students, our programs, and the greater Marcus Whitman community. His impact is deeply respected and acknowledged.

In recent months, our school community has experienced several unexpected and untimely losses. These moments have prompted us to pause and reflect more broadly on the practice of naming or renaming district facilities. Out of respect for all those who have contributed to our school community in significant ways, we feel it is important to approach such decisions with consistency, clarity, and care.

The Board intends to revisit the district's process for naming and renaming facilities in the near future to ensure it reflects our values and honors the legacy of individuals in a thoughtful and equitable manner.

Thank you again to those who took the time to advocate for Mr. Ennis and for your ongoing support of our school community."

Break 6:56pm

Executive Session, Motion by Keri Link, seconded by Phyllis Frantel at 7:05pm for the Board to enter into executive session to discuss the employment history of particular people.

Motion by Keri Link, seconded by Tessah Ciardi to adjourn the meeting at 8:09pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sharene Benedict, District Clerk